

GRAIGUECULLEN KILLESHIN

- Parish Link -

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St. Clare's Church



Holy Cross Church

Graveyard Mass:

Graveyard Masses – as Covid restrictions have begun to ease the graveyard Masses can now take place as follows:- Killeshin Cemetery - **Sunday 24th October @ 3pm.**

Graiguecullen Bingo:

We are delighted to announce that Graiguecullen Bingo will hopefully recommence on **Tuesday 26th October 2021 @ 8.30pm in St. Fiacc's Hall**, depending on Government guidelines at the time.

Lourdes Invalid Fund:

The long awaited **Lourdes Invalid Fund Draw** takes place this **Friday 22nd October @ 8pm in The Thatch**. Please return all cards as soon as possible to The Thatch. Enquiries to **Ursula @ 085 1794664**.

St. Laurence O'Toole A.C. 3k Halloween Fun Run:

Fundraiser in aid of **St. Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen** takes place on Sunday **31st October @ 10am at St. Laurence O'Toole**. You can jog, walk or run. Entry €5. There will be a prize for the best Halloween costume. Enquiries to **James O'Rourke 083 3014458**.

Irish Catholic Newspaper:

This week there is a two-page spread on our recent **Heather Cowan Awards** with loads of photos. Extra copies are available on sale in **St Clare's Church and the Parish Office**.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling **0818 222 024**.

St. Vincent De Paul:

Local Conference – St. Fiacc’s. Tel: **086-1592775**.

A very big thank you to everyone who continues to support the parish during the Covid 19 lockdown:

Contributions can be made directly from your bank by direct debits/standing orders. The parish account details are: Account Name: **Graiguecullen Church** | BIC: **BOFIE2D** IBAN: **IE12 BOFI 9065 3123 3222 21**. Please put your name and address in the reference box. This is a really easy way to contribute to your parish!

PRAYER INTERCESSORS:

This group is available to pray regularly but individually for the life of the parish as well as specific intentions that arise from time to time. If you have a family member who is seriously ill or is undergoing a major operation or any other special request please ring the parish office (**9141833**) or alternatively email **gkparish@gmail.com** or text **087 6216207** & we will send out a group text to request prayers. In order to maintain confidentiality, we do not use names in the prayer texts.

Choirs:

We are delighted to welcome back our **Ladies and Men’s Choir**. The Ladies Choir return to practice on Tuesday evenings @ 7pm and the Men’s Choir return to practice on **Thursday evenings @7pm**. New members welcome. Practices take place in the parish centre.

Carlow Family Support Group:

You Are Not Alone- Drugs and Alcohol abuse effects families regardless of status in life. You did not cause it, you can’t control it and you can’t cure it. Help is available for those who live with this dreadful disease call **085 7872730**.

Male Advice Line:

The National Male Advice Line offers confidential advice and support to Male victims of domestic violence and abuse over the phone. This Service is also available to family and friends who may have concerns for a loved one and are seeking some guidance on how to help them. Telephone **1800-816 588**.

Thursday Morning Club:

Thursday Morning Club takes place **after 10am Mass**. All welcome.

Priests Collection:

Contributions for this collection can still be left into the **parish office**. We greatly appreciate your support.

Setting out on a Synodal Pathway:

A Message and Invitation from Bishop Denis to Take a First Step Together. Copies available at church doors

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Next Sunday 24th October is World Mission Sunday:

In basic terms, **World Mission Sunday** is the Holy Father’s annual direct appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of missionaries can continue. Pope Francis’ message for World Mission Sunday this year reflects on the theme: “We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard” (Acts 4:20). He reminds us that, “as Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves,” as we “recall with grati-

tude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel.”

Would you like to work as a Health Care Support Assistant?:

The HSE require Health Care Support Assistants (formally known as Home Helps) to provide care to clients in their own homes in the Carlow, Kilkenny, South Tipperary, Waterford & Wexford areas. If you would like more information on how you can join the team please check the job search section on www.hse.ie using reference code: **SECH21HCSA** to find out more details. Please note closing date is **Monday 18th October at 12 noon** and applications can only be accepted by email. For Carlow enquiries please contact Jennifer on **(059) 9178023**.

Association of Catholics in Ireland Synodal Preparation: Listening to LGBTQ Catholics:

We have invited Kate Moynihan CEO of LINC, an organisation advocating for lesbian and bisexual women, to speak to issues affecting LGBTQ Catholics on Thursday 28th October at 8pm. Pope Francis is inviting Catholics on the margins to voice their dreams, ideas and concerns in preparation for the Synod of Bishops in 2023. He has consistently prioritised those who are marginalised and feel discarded. “The Church’s attitude has made the life of LGBT people miserable.” (Archbishop Diarmuid Martin) Join via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86913523267?pwd=bXpveDJmdGNCOGkrYVFKWkdnKzNqZz09> Meeting ID: 869 1352 3267 Passcode: 354624.

Thank You:

Emma Byrne would like to thank John Brennan & two other men who helped me when I fell off my bike on the evening of the **7th of October** across the road from Graiguecullen Village. Mr Brennan brought me & my two dogs home. I did not get the other two men’s names, but I would like to thank them for their kindness.

Praying the Rosary during the month of October:

Prayer is a way to help us get in touch with God and to develop a relationship with him. In prayer we not only talk with God, but God communicates with us. As we continue to pray, our relationship with God grows, and we are transformed more into the people we are meant to be. By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates the month of October to the holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic prayers.

October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7) The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary. The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events in the life of Jesus and Mary.

The Joyful Mysteries are taken mostly from Saint Luke’s Gospel in the New Testament. They involve the joyful events of Jesus’ childhood.

The Luminous Mysteries bring a deeper understanding to the public life of Jesus. They fill in the blanks between the childhood of Jesus and His suffering and death on the cross.

The Sorrowful Mysteries remind us of how much Jesus loves us. They recall how He suffered and died just for us.

The Glorious Mysteries tell us what happened after Jesus died - His Resurrection, the descent of the Holy Spirit and the love Jesus had for his Mother.

In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries.

Clothes Recycling:

Catherine Nolan and Vera Smith are now back accepting Clothes for their Clothes Recycling Collection in aid of their **2022 trip** with Mellon Educate to South Africa to help build Schools in Capetown. (no duvets or pillows please) can be dropped at any time to Terry Smith Kitchens, Sleaty Road or collection can be arranged by contacting **Vera** at **086 8317940** or **Catherine** at **086 8709846**

Digital IT Zoom Workshops:

Dates: **Mon 4th & 11th Oct & Mon 1st & 8th Nov**-Time: **10.00am-12.00 noon** Apple Tree pruning in An Gairdín Beo Tutor: Eddie Byrne-Dates: **Mon 18th Oct & Thurs 21st Oct** Time: **10.00am-12.00 noon** Practical guidance and hands on experience on how to prune apple trees. Free to participants but you must book your place in advance before **1st October**

Willow Basket Weaving-Tutor: Heike Kahle-Date: **15th November**- Time: **10.00am-5.00pm** Each participant will learn weaving skills and will be enabled to make their own basket. You need to book your place before Friday 1st of October To book your place contact fdunne@kcetb.ie Max 8 participants. All workshops are sponsored by **Carlow ETB**

Autumn Break:

Autumn Break from 14th - 18th October in the beautiful surroundings of Castleross Park Resort, Killarney. Cost €450 pps includes 4 nights B & B, evening meal, bus & tours. Deposit of €200 to be paid before 3rd Sept. All enquiries to Eddie **086 8173843**.

St. Clare's Hospitality:

St. Clare's Hospitality are seeking **non-perishable food items**. Presently we are giving out 80 dinners daily as well as family food packs, we are also delivering 60 food parcels. Donations can be left into the food barrels in the church or the parish centre. We would like to thank you for your continued support, we are very grateful.

The Eist Cancer Support Centre, Carlow,:

Is currently open for business at its new premises in **46 Idrone Park, Tullow Road, Carlow**. We provide emotional support for cancer sufferers, their families and friends. For further information on our services please contact us on **085 8661499** or **059 9139684**. Our email address is info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie.

Pioneer Calendar 2022-Full Colour A4 pages:

1 month per page Saints Feast days and Daily Scripture Text Photography by Fr. Robert McCabe, Central Spiritual Director - Pope's Intention for each month One of the AA Twelve Steps each month - Price €5 each -Stocks limited. All proceeds to Pioneer Total Abstinence Association, 27-28 Marino Mart, Fairview, DUBLIN, D03 R8X8. Orders with payment to: Pioneer Calendar Promotor, 18 Greenhills, Browneshill Road, **Carlow R93 E1W8**.

CHAS:

CHAS invites you to our first lecture of our 2021/2022 series on **Wed 20 Oct in the Seven Oaks Hotel**, Carlow (and online, see CHAS webpage for details) at 8pm. Our talk will be presented by Adam Kane and is titled: ' "A Peaceable and Orderly County?" Sun 24th 10.15am (Betty Scott, Rathvilly)-(John Donnelly, Wicklow) – Evaluating Police-Public Relations in Carlow County during the War of Independence, 1918-21.'

Graigucullen Killeshin Parish:

Are currently recruiting for the following positions on our Community Employment Programme:

+ Support / Workers + Swimming Pool Attendants + Maintenance Workers + Caretaker

These positions are 19.5 Hours per week. If you are interested or want to check your eligibility, please Call **059/9182882** or **085/8584187**.

ANNIVERSARIES



Saturday 16th Oct - Sunday 24th Oct

**Please note all Anniversaries can be emailed to gkparish@gmail.com
or call the Parish Centre 0599141833/0599182882**

- Sat 16th 6.30pm (Johnny & Lizzie Corcoran, Whitney Place also their daughter Betty Culleton)-(John Lowry, Hanover)
David McCarthy, Co. Limerick
Peggy Byrne, Duggan Ave also her son JJ
- Sun 17th 9am (Elizabeth Kinsella, Killeshin)-(Felix Carrera, Phillipines)
Kathleen & Harry Mallon, 44 St. Fiacc's Tce
10.15am (Edward Malone, Coolhenry)-(Oliver Rowan, The Strand)
11.30am **(First Anniversary)** Margaret Maguire née O'Brien,
St. Fiacc's Tce & Derby, England)-(Frank Gillen, Heatherhill)
Michael Lynch, Neidín, Ballickmoyler Rd
(Romeo de la Cruz, Carlow)-(Frank & Winnie Moran, Arles)
(Jim Power, Coolenaugh)-(Mick Horahan, Coolenaugh)
3pm Baby Gemma Horahan, Rochfort Manor
- Mon 18th 10am (Vincent Blake, Dublin **(Birthday Rem)**)-(Intention Mass)
- Tue 19th 10am Intention Mass
- Thu 21st 10am James & Catherine Kelly also their daughter Mary
- Fri 22nd 10am Michael Whelan, 59 Beechwood Drive, Rathnapish
- Sat 23rd 6.30pm (Kitty Grant, 33 St. Fiacc's Tce)-(PJ O'Gorman, Athy)
Agnes & Pat Mullins, Coolnariska
- Sun 24th 10.15am (Betty Scott, Rathvilly)-(John Donnelly, Wicklow)
11.30am **(First Anniversary)** James (Jim) O'Neill, St. Enda's, Sleaty St
Nicholas Lanigan, The Lock, Clogrennane & deceased family
(First Anniversary) Eileen Webb, Oakley Pk
(Kitty Courtney, Oakley Pk)-(John Byrne, Oakley Pk)
Bridget Mary Lennon, Johnstown, Kilkenny
John & Kathleen McGee, 41 Staunton Ave
Paddy & Nellie Murphy, Knockbeg
Kevin Stronge, John Sweeney Pk **(20th Anniversary)**
- 3pm Pat Mullins, Coolnariska also his mother Agnes
Ellen Kehoe, Springhill also her daughter Annie Clare Kehoe, Killeshin

R.I.P.

Elizabeth (Betty) O'Brien, Churchtown, Dublin
Catherine Macooh, Canada & formerly Wicklow
Dhonner de la Cruz, Carlow